



Registered Charity no: 1157629

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

1 October 2019 to 30 September 2020

Wetherby & District Foodbank successfully completed a further year providing food to those in crisis across our community and the surrounding districts.

It proved to be an extremely challenging year for many and varied reasons:

- The COVID 19 global pandemic disrupting operations and driving up demand
- The relocation of our main warehouse on the Thorp Arch Trading Estate
- Changes to key personnel on the Trustee Board and in managerial positions.

Demand for our services and support continued to increase exponentially year on year. The global pandemic was the most significant cause of increased demand as more people experienced financial difficulties and isolation.

A total of 526 vouchers were redeemed at our two local Distribution Centres in Wetherby and Boston Spa, providing food parcels for 1248 people in food crisis in our community. Of these 508 were children. As most of our referral agents had to close their physical offices from March 2020 onwards, most of our referrals came as telephone or electronic referrals during the second half of the year.

The Boston Spa Centre closed at the end of 2019 for operational reasons and the Wetherby Centre was forced to close temporarily for 'walk in' collections as the pandemic took hold in March. We commenced a home delivery food parcel service to maintain support for those in crisis across the district and this continues to this day. Thankfully, our Distribution Centre in Wetherby has reopened for food parcel collections and we look forward to recommencing our 'signposting services' to other sources of help and support, in our attempt to 'break the cycle of poverty'.

During the year we also provided substantial quantities of food and non food items for other local charities and neighboring foodbanks.

Thanks to our generous corporate and public donors, our volunteers and supporters, in total we collected and redistributed around 41 tonnes of food and non-food items. Overall, we estimate that this is equivalent to around 37,000 meals over the 12 month period.

We continue to enjoy the use of a rent-free warehouse facility on the Thorp Arch Trading Estate and the free use of delivery vans by Sykes House Farm.

The Foodbank remains financially strong through prudent cost management and the generous financial support we receive from the general public and local businesses as well as receiving a number of grants. The strong balance sheet should support the continuing development of the foodbank over the years ahead. The accounts have been audited independently and certified as accurate.

Neil Ripley
Chair of Trustees

Wetherby and District Foodbank

Income and Expenditure Report for Year Ending 30th September 2020

	2018/2019	2019/2020
Income	£	£
Individual Donations	810.61	6958.37
Organisational Donations	25540.96	13643.71
Online Donations	2104.55	2850.72
Monthly Standing Orders	3041	5035
Fundraising	381.19	0
Tesco Payments	0	1470.98
Acts 435	360	395
Payroll	250.78	5150.51
HMRC Giftaid	5560.82	0
Interest		0.56
Total Income	38049.91	35504.85
Expenditure		
Payroll	10281.45	13746
Employee Expenses	575.6	1416.52
Warehouse Services	1122.79	377.32
Distribution Centre Expense	1536.06	237.41
Subscriptions	415	137
Telephone and IT	1241.6	497.99
Insurance	294.25	0
Sundries	1236.78	1318.83
Training	0	0
Acts 435	360	388
Total Expenditure	17063.53	18119.07
In Year Surplus/Deficit	20986.38	17385.78
Funds at start of year	5330.08	26316.46
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Total Funds at Year End	26316.46	43702.24
Represented by:		
Bank Account	26016.46	43402.24
Unpresented Cheques		0
Npower late credit		0
Petty cash float	300	300
Total Funds at Year End	26316.46	43702.24

Prepared by Gail Cammish - Treasurer

Independent Audit completed by Janet Beckett

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29th July 2021

Reference: Wetherby and District Foodbank Accounts

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have reviewed the accounts and supporting documentation provided and can confirm that they present a true reflection of the financial position for the year ended 30th September 2020.

Regards,

Janet

Janet Beckett